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	Develop Tribal consultation, collaboration, and access to funding for water programs and projects to better sustain Tribal water and natural resources.									
1	Everyone involved in the California Water Plan should share information with California Native American Tribes about how Tribal water issues intersect with water law, planning, and management in California.			Poor  Poor	Slow  Slow  Slow	Statewide  Most State  Part of State  Part of State	Everyone – is no one, everybody, anybody and only if you feel like it	State agencies are not always good at sharing information. State agencies don’t always know how to deal with Tribes. Not getting info to right people within the Tribes.  Passive requirement – mandates are preferable.  Communication  See purple NOTE on last page.  Counties don’t ever look at the report!	Agencies need to develop better ways of sharing information with Tribes.  If input from tribes is valued and relevant to implementation to the water, perhaps wording could be changed from “should” to <u>shall</u> .  Counties and municipalities don’t invite State agencies or Tribes to the planning table.  See *	List of ways agencies have distributed information to Tribes.  Check list or documentation or tribal content.  Penalize counties financially when they don’t use the Plan.
2	Everyone involved in the Water Plan should share information with California Native American Tribes about how the water planning, management, and projects of State, local, and federal governments, as well as water purveyors, impact and affect California Native American Tribes.			Poor  Poor  Poor	Slow  Slow  Slow	Most State  Part of State  Part of State		Same as #1 above. Agencies are not always willing to share. Agencies may not be aware that Tribes will be impacted  Above  Information to all Tribes. Indian representative from DWR to Tribes.	Same as #1 above.  See *	List of which activities affect/impact which Tribes or say all Tribes affected.

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3	Everyone involved in the Water Plan should share information with California Native American Tribes about State funding that is available for water projects, how California Native American Tribes can apply for the funding, what obstacles they may face in accessing these funds, and how they can influence future funding programs.			Poor  Poor  Poor	Slow  Slow  Slow	Most State  Part of State  Some agencies (i.e. State Water Resources Control Board)		Same #1 above.  Above  CA Tribal representative in DWR to contact Tribes with information	Same as #1 above. Educate Tribes on what funding is available.  See*	List of Tribes who have received State funding & through which programs.
4	California Native American Tribes should use the Water Plan as a stepping stone to ensure their representation and genuine participation in water planning processes throughout California, including those linking water to public health, housing, economic development, and environmental justice.			Poor  Poor  Poor	Slow  Slow  None	Most State  Part of State  None. Too new. Wait and see Tribal Water Summit	Like stepping on a snake, a mushy, slimy, stepping stone.	Not all Tribes participate in Water Plan. Proximity of Tribe to Water Plan meeting. Lack of Tribal staff to attend meeting. Lack of funding to travel.  Some Tribes don't have moneys to send representative to Tribal AC meetings.	Public agencies should follow the recommendation above, but tribes have sovereignty and may choose or not to follow should, may or shall!	List of Tribes who participated in 2009. List of Tribes participating in 2013 (i.e. new Tribes). List of Tribes participating in other mediums or planning meetings or caucuses.
5	California Native American Tribes should build a foundation of knowledge and relationships for developing their own long-term water management plans, as well as participating genuinely in regional and local water planning, including Integrated Regional Water Management plans.	On-going	Needed	Colusa = good (Do/done both).  Poor  Poor to good  Good  Very good to poor	Slow  Slow  Slow	Regional  Most State  Part of State  Part of State	BIA has funding available to develop Water Management Plans. Colusa participates in NSV IRWM as a member of the Technical Advisory Committee.  Loaded comment.	Funding and staff to perform duties.  Money's need to ensure a person to hold for Tribe, some to stay on top state local, regional affairs.	Examples of Water Management Plans or develop some recommended criteria for Tribes to follow and develop their own plans. DWR can initiate contact/introduction of Tribes to IRWM group & let Tribes and IRWM groups know that Tribes are eligible for funding.  See #4 - May	Track which Tribes are involved with IRWM by identifying those Tribes the Regional Reports.

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6	California Native American Tribes should shape the content of the Water Plan through a variety of mechanisms, particularly the review of regional reports, resource management strategies, and other materials, and through Tribal and public meetings.		Needed	Poor Poor Good Poor Excellent	Slow Slow Slow None	Regional Most State Most of State Not happening yet	The July 2012 TAC meeting initiated this however there was low Tribal attendance & little input from the Southern CA Tribes. Some Regional Reports are good like North Coast other are poor like Sac River. Need to expand content of poor ones.  Doesn't ensure a positive outcome.	Tribes willing to participate and provide input.  Know how to use what is in these reports	Invite Tribes to participate. Send Regional Reports to each Tribe and ask for comments. July 2012 TAC meeting was a step in a the right direction I think it got people thinking about how much Tribal content was lacking from the Regional Reports.	Document which Tribes contributed or reviewed or comment6ed on Regional Reports.
7	California Native American Tribes should build working relationships and partnerships with relevant State, local and, federal governments, and water purveyors that are based on mutual respect, fairness, honesty, responsibility, and mutual trust.	On-going	Needed	Colusa – good. Poor Good Poor Excellent	Slow Slow Slow Slow	Part of State Part of State	IRWM meetings, IRWM outreach DWR regional meetings.  Very slow progress!	Government to Government Consultation. Lack of agency staff training in dealing with Tribes. Agencies don't know how to deal with Tribes. Agencies need to be willing to establish working relationships. Tribes could initiate meetings too.  Have resource to hold relations.	Include State Agency or Local Agency contacts or Tribal liaisons within each agency within the regional reports or somewhere in the water plan. Tribes could always initiate the process by building the relationship with the agency or setup meetings.	It would be tough to track which agencies are meeting with specific Tribes. Maybe just make an acknowledgement of which agencies are meeting with Tribes & how many Tribes are participating in meetings without including specific names of Tribes. Wouldn't want this to turn into something where agencies are just checking a box off if a Tribe attended/participated.
8	California Native American Tribes should educate State, local, and federal governments, and water purveyor executives and planners about the historical and ongoing relationships between California Native American Tribes and water, especially cultural and religious practices, including fishing.	On-going		Good Good Poor Should fair	Slow Slow Slow	Part of State Part of State	They don't listen – history starts after 1850.	This may be tough since Tribes may not want to share this info or if they do, they may want to share it on an individual basis w/an agency or multiple agencies. May be more efficient if state agency gave training about Tribal importance of water & have speakers talk generally about the subject.	DWR or State Agency could initiate the process or ask for people/Tribes to volunteer to speak at training for agency staff personnel.  With water summit and planning summit with local, state & federal leaders.	Track trainings or # of meetings agencies have had w/Tribes. May be hard to track and wouldn't want it to turn into a check off the box kind of thing.

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9	California Native American Tribes should propose and clarify how DWR works with California Native American Tribes in State water planning efforts.	On-going		Poor (not done as far as I know)  Good  Good  Good	Slow  Slow  Medium	Statewide.  Most of state  Part of State  Most of State	Unknown.  Not clear what you want?	Need input from all Tribes. Difficult to obtain.  Getting more Tribes involved in Water Summit	DWR could have an outreach meeting to discuss this or discuss at Tribal AC meeting.	Report on meeting and what was suggested.
10	California Native American Tribes should build a foundation of knowledge and relationships for hosting a Tribal Water Summit in 2009 that includes the highest level of decision-makers from State, local, and federal governments, and water purveyors.			Excellent (done Nov. 2009)  Good  Poor  Did!	Slow	Statewide  Part of State	Water Summit was held on Nov. 2009.	Completed.	Track outcome of 2013 Update. Have Agency and Tribal leaders attend the Summit. Need an outcome or resolution.	Proceedings in Update 2013 just like Update 2009 had.  Summit deliverables outcomes.
11	DWR will place proceedings of this summit in the Water Plan’s Volume 4, the Reference Guide.			Fair  Yes  Good	Yes	Statewide  Yes	Proceedings included in 2009 Water Plan Update.	Need to hold a functional/productive Water Summit in 2013. Material could be included in other sections of the Water Plan not just hidden in the Appendix (i.e. back of the report).	May want to hold Tribal Water Summit earlier in the planning process (as opposed to a few months before DRAFT goes out) to incorporate more material & outcomes from the Tribal Water Summit within the Water Plan	Incorporate into Update 2013.
12	Indigenous communities should be involved in climate change adaptation actions that will directly impact their people, waterways, cultural resources, or lands.			Good  Poor  We are!	Slow  None	Part of State  None		Much of this is really unknown – evidence of agenda based science is becoming more evident.  Getting information to ask Tribes, then knowing what to do with it.  Notification/reaching tribes with the info. Finding an easy way for them to provide the info.	Don’t assume climate change is impacted by anthropogenic sources or can be mitigated by action changes.  Track it by “region” participation? Seek out targeted Tribal representatives? Work with Tribal colleges – outreach through EPA RTOC as a start.	

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13	The Tribal Communication Committee, Tribal Summit Planning Team, or an equivalent Tribal forum should advise the 2013 Water Plan Steering Committee on ways to implement these related actions and the recommendations from the 2009 Tribal Water Summit, and should assist in the preparation of subsequent Tribal water summits.			Good  Good  Yes	Slow  Slow	Statewide  Part of State	This is some of what TAC has been doing. Don't think any other group has addressed this.	Outcomes not being met. Funding for subsequent TWS. Water Plan may not have resources to implement.  Getting all Tribes to understand what means to each Tribe.	Create a matrix to track this or have updated matrix on TWS webpage.	Need matrix like this one to track which recommendations have been implemented/addressed & when they are what was done. Status of the recommendations.